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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for producing an amide comprising combining a thio acid and an organic azide in the presence of a solvent, wherein the solvent is not the thio acid and is combined with the thio acid and organic azide at a ratio of 1:1.0-6.0 azide:solvent, so that an amide is produced.